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From: Sustainable Fairfield Task Force

Re: **SUPPORT** for **SB 242**, **HB 5291**, **HB 5294** and **HB 5296**

Sustainable Fairfield Task Force would like to give its **SUPPORT** to the following bills:

HB 5291, An Act Authorizing Bonding for Bikeways, Greenways and Recreational Trails

HB 5294 (RAISED) An Act Concerning the Intentional Release of Certain Balloons

HB 5296, An Act Concerning the Open Space Watershed Land Acquisition Grant Program

SB 242 An Act Establishing a Working Group on the Restoration of Eel Grass

Protecting Connecticut's natural environment along our watersheds is key to preserving biodiversity and healthy ecosystems. Restoration and protection of marine life in Long Island Sound is of paramount importance to the state's economy. The economic and conservation benefits of these bills are of vital importance to Connecticut's future as a coastal state.

Thank you for your consideration. We hope you will move these bills forward through the legislature.

Sincerely,

Bob Wall, Chair
Sustainable Fairfield Task Force